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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:	)	Group Art Unit No.: 2878
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PAUL E. WEST, et al.	)	Examiner: Kevin S. Wyatt
	)	
Application No. 10/700,794	)	PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME UNDER
	)	<u>RULE 136(a) (37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a))</u>
Filed: November 4, 2003	)	
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For: OSCILLATING SCANNING	)	Palo Alto, CA 94301
PROBE MICROSCOPE	)	September 10, 2007
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Commissioner for Patents  
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Sir:

Applicants hereby petition for a three-month extension of time under Rule 136(a) (37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a)) to reply to the United States Patent and Trademark Office Action mailed on March 9, 2007 in connection with the above-identified patent application. Accordingly, the period for response is extended through September 10, 2007, because September 9, 2007 is a Sunday.

A claim of small entity status has been filed in the

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application, and the Applicants continue to qualify as a small entity. Accordingly, please accept the attached check in the amount of \$510.00 in payment of the extension-of-time-fee. A duplicate of this Petition is enclosed for accounting purposes.

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